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My dearly beloved Friends and Brethren whom the Lord  
reached unto, and visited with his heavenly power; by which you  
have been gathered to himself so eat of the finest of the Wheat.

**M**Y love once more in the Covenant o' Eternal life, and love  
is to you all, being often in my remembrance night and  
day, with sufferings with you who suffer, and with pray-  
ers to the Almighty God that you may all stand fast, ha-  
ving your loins girt about with truth, and shod with the power of  
the Almighty, that no bryers nor thorns may stop nor hinder you  
in the passage to your good Land, but go through them in the hea-  
venly field, that none of you may want bread, nor water to drink.  
For God hath set open his Heavenly Fountain of living Waters  
for all his Children to drink at, but old Belial and his sons would  
stop these living streams, that the Sons of God might not be re-  
freshed to stand against all his fiery darts and temptations; for  
Friends it is the enjoyment of the sweet presence of God, which  
will encourage you all to stand, not forsaking the assembling of your  
selves together, to worship the Lord as the Saints used to do in the  
primitive times, for we are come blessed be God, to the primitive  
spirit, the spirit of Christ, which was in the primitive worshippers,  
by which they worshipped God, for which they were through man-  
y sufferings as may be read at large in the Scripture, and suffered  
joyfully the losing of their goods, they knowing a better and a  
more enduring substance, thus it is that many of us are come to the  
same stage for the same testimony, and the Devil hath a desire to try  
us, and many of his slaves is running up and down like ~~Saints~~ to per-  
secute the Saints. Well we are Ingaged for the truth, and our peace  
with God we prize above all, and they have nothing to charge us  
with justly but for worshiping God, for we wish well for the  
Government and all souls, that we under them might live a peaceable  
life in all honestie and Goodness, which seems to be so strick  
and severe to grow. Well the Gods Heaven hath given us an

understanding, and a measuring line, and an eye to see with, by which we see, measure and understand what the effect of these things will be, that God will render vengeance in flames of fire, upon ungodly men, and all who hold truth in unrighteousness, for alas 'tis a vain thing for our enemies to think to affright us by robbing and spoiling of us, for our estates and lives, though pretious to us, yet nothing in comparison of the pretious ioyement of the living presence of the dreadful God, before whom all men must give an account, where all Faces shall gather palenes, whose hands hath been imbrewed in the blood or sufferings of his own seed, so my dear friends every where my love and life doth flow forth dearly to you, and the Lord arm you all with patience and boldness and let all these things drive you nearer and nearer to your beloved, and let none murmur and say the Lord delayeth his coming, for God will come and plead the cause of his own seed, and none to save self by indirect means, but seek to please your maker, you that honour God God will honour, and keep together in all your meetings, *as sheep of one fold*, for the Devil would scatter you whom God hath gathered, and feed of the living bread, and keep clear in your understandings, minds and spirits, out of reasoning with flesh and blood, that no vail may come over any in which the enemy lodges, and the Lord sanctifie you all to himself, that you may be like the sheep from Mount Gilead every one bearing twain, that there may be no Korah nor Demas amongst us, nor none like the rich man, who went away sorrowful when he was to deny all for Christ; but that you may be like Daniel, and the three Children, and the holy Apostles, when they charged them to speak no more in Christs name, would not obey, but chused rather to obey God, let this be your choice, and Ages and generations to come will bless God for you, as we have done for them who are gone before us, so continue in the faith and love, and the Lord exalt righteousness in the Earth, and lay low the Kingdom of sin, for Babylon must fall, and the Lamb must reign and doth reign in many which is the cause, the Devil is so eager, for the Flesh wars against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the Flesh,

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so live in the Spirit, and grow in it, and the wonderful counsellor  
preserve you single hearted, and keep you over all storms, for a  
calm will come again, and the joy of the Lord which is as the joy  
of the Harvest fill all your Souls with joy and peace in believing,  
and the Lords blessings and peace rest and remain, with and amongst  
you all, for ever and ever, Amen.

Middlesex the 20. of the  
A. month. 1670.

Your Friend and Brother in the  
Heavenly Seed,

Stephen Hubbersty.

Let this be read in your Meetings every  
where,

THE END.